



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 5315***

*February Session, 2002*

***AN ACT CONCERNING MERCURY EMISSIONS FROM POWER PLANTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) (a) For purposes of this  
2       section: (1) "Affected unit" means any emissions unit subject to the  
3       provisions of the Post-2002 Nitrogen Oxides Budget Program, as  
4       described in the regulations adopted under section 22a-174 of the  
5       general statutes, and (2) "Title IV source" means an affected unit that is  
6       also subject to Phase II of the acid rain control requirements set forth in  
7       Title IV of the federal Clean Air Act, 43 USC 7651d et seq.

8       (b) Not later than January 1, 2007, an owner or operator of a Title IV  
9       source that is also an affected unit or units that burns solid fuel shall  
10      reduce their mercury emissions by at least ninety per cent from year  
11      2000 baseline levels.

12      (c) Not later than July 1, 2004, the Department of Environmental  
13      Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of  
14      chapter 54 of the general statutes, to ensure that: (1) The mercury  
15      emission reductions set forth in subsection (a) of this section are  
16      achieved on schedule; and (2) any captured or recovered mercury is  
17      not re-released into the environment.

18      (d) The Department of Environmental Protection shall have the  
19      authority to require solid fuel burning units to conduct testing to

- 20 determine the mercury and chlorine content of the coal combusted by  
21 such source and to determine the amount of mercury emissions from  
22 such source.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

***Statement of Legislative Commissioners:***

In section 1, "provisions of section 22a-174-22b of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Post-2002 Nitrogen Oxides Budget Program" was changed to "provisions of the Post-2002 Nitrogen Oxides Budget Program, as described in the regulations adopted under section 22a-174 of the general statutes" for consistency with existing statutes.

***ENV***      *Joint Favorable Subst.*